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Sir:

This is in reply to an Office Action mailed 26 August 2003, which set 26 November 2003 as the initial deadline for response. Accordingly, a petition for a one month extension of time until 26 December 2003 is enclosed herewith. This Response is thus believed to be timely filed.